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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of July 25, 2006 and as part of applicant's Request for Continuing Examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.